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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Kazuo HATA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/445,423

GAU: FERGUSON, L.

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EXAMINER: 1774

FOR:

CERAMIC SHEET AND METHOD OF PRODUCING CERAMIC SHEET

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Advisory Action dated October 7, 2004; in further response to the Final Rejection dated April 21, 2004; and further to the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.